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## TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Rout's Service to the China Mail)

REPARATIONS WRANGLE.

GERMANS STATE THEIR UTMOST FIGURE.

AMERICAN ARBITRATION SUGGESTED.

LONDON, February 11.  
The experts busy drawing up Germany's case for the London conference are reported to have reached the conclusion that compliance with Paris demands will necessitate an increase in Germany's exports to fourteen milliard gold marks as compared with five milliard last year, thus flooding foreign markets with German goods. According to the *Deutsche Zeitung*, the Ministry of Finance has come to the conclusion that the utmost reparation Germany can pay is 150 milliard marks, including all cash and goods hitherto paid. It says that a proposal to pay 150 milliard in thirty years will be submitted at Paris. Refusal will result in Germany absconding herself from the London conference and suggesting that the United States arbitrate in order to prevent hostile measures, such as invasion of the Ruhr.

RAILWAY STRIKE THREAT.

WHOLE ISSUE TO BE RAISED IN PARLIAMENT.

A STRIKE IMPOSSIBLE.

LONDON, February 11.  
The prospect of the Locomotive Engineers' Union carrying out its threat to strike seems to have virtually disappeared in consequence of the National Union of Railwaymen, after discussing sympathetic action to-day, deciding to instruct the Joint Secretary, Mr. Thomas, M.P., to raise the whole issue in Parliament with a view to pressing for a full public inquiry and to ensuring protection of railwaymen in the execution of their duty.

DESTRUCTIVE TORNADO.

THIRTY-TWO PERSONS KILLED IN GEORGIA.

NEW YORK, February 11.  
A message from Macon, Georgia, states that two whites and 30 negroes were killed and a score injured in a tornado near Oconee which demolished all buildings in territory half a mile wide and five miles long.

IRISH OUTRAGES.

281 POLICE AND SOLDIERS MURDERED.

LONDON, February 11.  
Outrages in Ireland from January 1919 to February 5, 1920, include 77 court houses and 535 police barracks destroyed, and 224 policemen killed and 336 wounded, and 57 soldiers killed and 143 wounded.

INDUSTRIAL SITUATION IN SOUTH WALES.

LONDON, February 11.  
Although the industrial situation in South Wales is generally brightening up and several collieries and tin plate works are restarting, the Ebbw Vale iron and steel works have issued notices to some thousands of colliers-terminating their services on February 26.

VALUABLE WAR SERVICES.

HONGKONG CENSOR INCLUDED IN WAR OFFICE REFERENCE.

LONDON, February 11.  
A War Office announcement makes special reference to the valuable war services of Mr. H. F. Monk, Major Alexander, and Lieutenant Cornish and MacLean Hayes, Straits Settlements, Mr. A. D. Blackburn, Shanghai, and Bishan Dass Madan, Hongkong, all of whom were censors.

MINE-SWEEPER COLLIDES WITH SUBMARINE.

AMSTERDAM, February 11.  
The Dutch mine-sweeper "Hydra" collided with a submarine in the Wieringen Canal. A few of the sailors were slightly injured but no one was killed.

AERIAL EXPORTS AND IMPORTS.

LONDON, February 11.  
Last year Britain's aerial exports and imports exceeded £1,000,000.

FUTURE OF MANKIND.

INTERESTING FORECAST.

FRESH ENERGY OR DESTRUCTION.

In a forecast of the evolution and future of the human race, submitted to a meeting of Eugenics Education Society, under the presidency of Major Leonard Darwin, at 23, Russell Square, Professor Arthur Dendy observed that every great advance of civilisation had depended on the discovery of new stores of energy in one form or another, men had soon acquired the habit of expending that energy more or less recklessly.

To-day we were living mainly on millions of years ago by the great forests of the carboniferous epoch and stored up in the form of coal. It was this energy alone that had rendered possible the great mechanical advances of the past century. It was being exhausted at an extravagant rate, and though it might be possible to replace it by something else, it seemed hardly likely that we should find any other supply which

"SAVE LIFE!"

HAWK'S UNTIMELY CRY.

ROBBED THEN STABBED.

A hawk who raised a fruitless alarm and got stabbed for his pains, reports to the police that about 3 a.m. on February 10, he was walking on Salkong Road on his way to Hangchow village to visit some relatives, when near Suimutsun he was accosted by four men, one of whom was armed with a dagger. After threatening to kill him if he raised the alarm, the robbers went through his pockets, stealing \$220 in money. The highwaymen were about to depart when the complainant called out "save life," whereupon the armed man stabbed him in the arm and then pushed him down the hill. He fell heavily and lay unconscious for a long time.

could be so readily exploited. Consuming races would certainly have to adopt themselves to new conditions of life or go under.

## THE DOLLAR.

To-day's closing rate 2/5 5/8  
To-day's opening rate 2/5 5/8

DEBIOR'S REVENGE.

SHOPKEEPER ASSAULTED.

A BRUTAL ATTACK.

Late last night a Chinese shopkeeper living in Wongneichong Village was removed to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from knife wounds on his head, face, legs and arms. According to the story told the police it appears that the cause of the brutal attack was not robbery, as at first thought. About 11.30 p.m., the man was about to retire for the night, having closed the shop, when there was a knock at the door, and a voice asked for cigarettes. No sooner had the shopkeeper opened the door, than he was seized by a man whom he recognised as a bricklayer living in the village. The man was stabbed in the head. He struggled with his assailant, whereupon three other men whom he did not recognise joined in the fray and stabbed him in various parts of the body. When he eventually collapsed, his assailants ran away without attempting to steal anything from the shop. The victim said that he had had no quarrel with any of his assailants. The bricklayer owed him some money, and probably had been offended because he had pressed for a settlement before the Chinese New Year. After examination at the hospital the doctor reported that the wound on the complainant's head was the most serious, but was not of a nature likely to cause death.

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Holy Communion at 7.30 a.m.  
Services, Merbecke.  
Hymns, 9, 320, 324, 511.  
Matins at 11 a.m.  
Cathedral Choir.

Responses, Ferri; Venite, Farrant (Choir); Psalm, 51 (Fellon); Te Deum, Woodward; Smart, Trile; Benedictus Troppebeck; Anthem, "O Saviour of the world" Goss; Hymn, 82.

Lentary 12 noon.  
Evening Song 6 p.m.  
Auxiliary Choir.  
Responses, Ferri; Psalm, 22 (Trile), 143 (Trile); Magnificat, Smart; Nunc Dimitis, Marby; Hymns, 90, 183, 237. Organ Recital on Monday next, Feb. 14th, at 5.30 p.m.

The Wesleyan Church, Wanchoi

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Sunday, February 13th.  
Divine Service and Church Parade 10.50 a.m. Subject "Boxing." Evening Service 8 p.m. Subject "Some Lessons Customs and Lenten Lessons." Presider Rev. C. Clouston. Puri, H. C. F. Afternoon 3 p.m. Children's Service and Sunday School. Friday, 5.45 p.m. Choir practice.

The Wesleyan Sailors' and Soldiers' Home (Corner of Arsenal Street). Sunday 2 p.m. P.S.A. Subject: "A Talk about the New Testament" by the Chaplain. 8.15 p.m. Gospel Meeting. Monday 8.15 p.m. Fellowship Meeting. Tuesday 8.30 p.m. Parade 1st. "Wanchai Boy Scouts." Wednesday 8.15 p.m. Wesley Guild: Literary Evening. Subject: Stakeholders. 8.15 p.m. S. S. A. Friday 2 to 5 p.m. Ladies' Sewing Meeting and Tea. 5.30 p.m. Bible Classed Rally of Boy Scouts.

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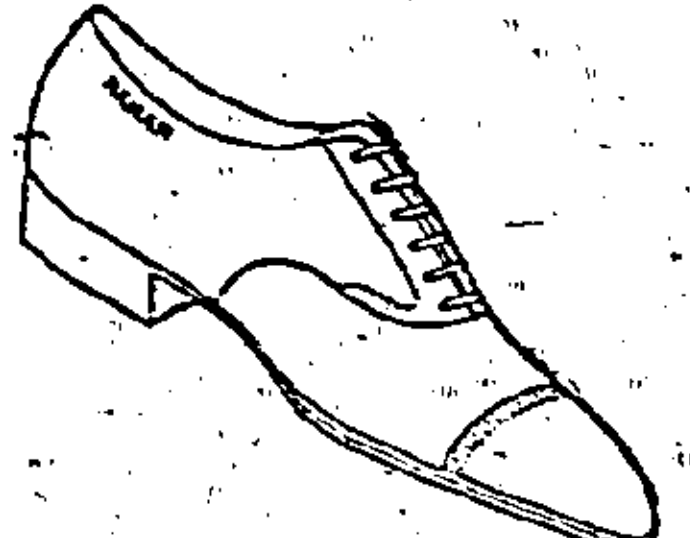
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Oliver White.

Alas—they cannot be found any-  
where. I have looked everywhere for  
them and the only thing that I can  
think of is that they have been taken  
away by the Lost, Stolen and Strayed  
Imp. In case you do not know who  
he is I am putting in a story about  
him this week.

Your loving,

PETER PAN.

THE LOST, STOLEN AND  
STRAYED IMP.

You know how sometimes things  
disappear very mysteriously. Per-  
haps you have put down a book or a  
toy in a certain place and when you  
come back to fetch it a little time  
afterwards it has gone. And of  
course you are always quite sure  
that you had put it in that place.

Sometimes things are found in the  
queerest spots and very often they  
never turn up again.

Now you may not know it but  
they are nearly always carried off by  
the Lost, Stolen and Strayed Imp,  
who is a most mischievous little  
person. And this is how I found out  
about him.

One day I was sitting by the fire  
reading a book all about some fairies  
who built a palace of leaves. It had  
rose petal floors and the furniture  
was made of beech nuts and there  
were pictures showing how it was  
done.

Now some people say that I must  
have gone to sleep and had a strange  
dream, but to me it seemed very  
real. At any rate I put the book  
down on my knee and was imagining  
this pretty palace when a shrill voice  
said, close by me "This is the very  
book that Prince Lightning Builder  
was saying that he wanted. Where  
are you Fetch and Carry?"

"Here we are Master," cried some-  
one a little distance away.

I half opened my eyes and saw on  
the arm of the chair a tiny fairy,  
dressed in black, so that he was  
almost invisible. He had a gold key  
hung on a chain round his neck and  
he was peering at the book through  
a small telescope.

Then two more wee men also  
dressed in black came hurrying  
along.

What do you desire O Lord of  
Lost, Stolen and Strayed Things?"

"I want this book Fetch," replied  
the Imp. "Will you and Carry take  
it to my storehouse and to-morrow  
I will hand it over to Prince Light-  
ning Builder."

"Certainly, my Lord," replied  
Fetch. "Come along Carry."

"One, two, three, heave ho!" said  
Carry and they hoisted the book up  
on to their shoulders and went off  
with it.

The Lost, Stolen and Strayed Imp  
climbed down from the arm of the  
chair and walked after them in a  
dignified manner.

"I do wonder where they are go-  
ing to," I said to myself and I got  
up in a great hurry and crept  
after them. There they were,  
just going through the back door,  
and then they went off at a great rate  
down some steps into the garden,  
along a path and into a summer  
house which was at one corner of the  
tennis lawn.

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Among the earlier types is a model of  
a Viking ship of about A.D. 900 which  
was made in the Museum from in-  
formation derived from a ship which  
was discovered at Gokstad, Norway,  
in 1880. The earliest representation  
of the British Navy is a model of a  
King's ship of the eleventh to  
thirteenth centuries, showing the  
type of man-of-war used in the  
Norman and early Plantagenet  
periods, as reproduced on some  
thirteenth-century seals. A rigged  
model of an English battleship,  
dating from the seventeenth century,  
is especially interesting, with its high  
stern, decorated sides, and lateen  
yard on the mizzen mast.

The wooden sailing line-of-battle  
ship continued until about the middle  
of the nineteenth century, and the  
last model of this group is that of  
H.M.S. "Albion" launched in 1842  
which took part in the bombardment  
of Sebastopol. The actual figure-  
head of this vessel is also exhibited.

Steam was applied to the propul-  
sion of war vessels about 1832, and  
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after tea I had another look in the  
summer house.

This time I found that by pulling  
hard I was able to move the board  
which made the door of the cupboard.  
At last I managed to pull it out and  
found—nothing! There was an  
empty space where the cupboard had  
been. The Lost, Stolen and Strayed  
Imp and Fetch and Carry must have  
taken everything away again and I  
have never seen nor heard anything  
of them since. But now when any-  
thing is lost and cannot be found I  
smile to myself because I know all  
about that mischievous Imp who  
seeks his servants to fetch and carry  
things away.

PETER PAN.

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My fifth is in trap,  
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My eighth is in Fanny.  
The whole is myself, and I think  
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## The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE."  
HONGKONG, SATURDAY, FEB. 12, 1921.

## ADVERSARIA.

Never before had it occurred to me to pity the financier, or to commiserate those that do business on Rialtos. Since one morning this week, the strange truth has reached me that all is not gold that has the \$ mark before it, and that the hearts of well-dressed men strolling in and out of banks may have their own bitterness. When I handed my Missus at the month end my takings, less what she allowed me for tobacco and beer, my financial experiences usually ceased for another four or five weeks. Lately, however, I acquired (ask not how) a bank account and a cheque book. I walked round with the latter projecting from my breast pocket for a few days, but it did not seem to amuse anybody. I suppose too many men have them here to be impressed. One of the French banks owed me a matter of seven dollars or so for interest on some doctory tickets I bought, and hearing a rumour that well-heeled gentlemen were wearing bowler hats and smoking cigars, standing about 4ft. 10in., looked at me and went on talking, in a mixture of Portuguese and English. Two other customers were studying a typewritten list on the

wall, to see if either of them had won the million francs. A Chinese office boy flicked the brass handle of a closed safe with a leather duster. The clock ticked on. Finally one of the young nabobs removed his hat and came to the grille. I brandished my coupons, and began to ask for the money, but he interrupted. He said I had better call again in about half an hour.

When I got outside FROM BANK it occurred to me that the bank that gave me the cheque book would collect for me, and add the proceeds to my account. That sort of thing, I reflected, is what banks are for. I waited at the end of a queue to be served. While waiting I noticed that the big pointer of this bank's clock jumped visibly every minute. For 59 seconds it would be still, and then jump forward one sixtieth of its orbit. Thinking about my business, I suddenly felt shy about troubling so busy a man with so small a deposit, and searched my pockets for money with which to sweeten the pot, as those wicked poker players say. Oddly enough, I found some. After the big pointer had done its jumping stunt 32 times, the cashier spoke to me. I handed him the money, the coupons, and the paying in slip. He threw the coupons back at me, and said something about "Outward Bills." He kept the sweetener. I took the coupons to another grille, where a gentleman looked at me, and then looked away again. I gathered that my appearance pained him. Two men seated at a table behind him were smoking cigarettes, and talking. At last the gentleman I had unwittingly offended asked me what I wanted. I said I had forgotten what it was—it happened so long ago—but if I had a little more time I might remember. Two Indians with pistols watched me while I was remembering, and the pointer jumped twelve more times.

RAULED. When I remembered the coupons, and presented them, the gentleman said "we could do nothing with them." I got the distinct impression that they must be forgeries, but he kindly explained that "they" (the bank) had no official knowledge of such things. "Do you want them paid into your account?" he asked. This seemed such a distinct advance that I changed my mind on the impulse and said I would take cash. He went away to talk to another clerk, but that one was busy, trying to keep the cigarette smoke out of his eyes while he compared figures on a document with figures in a book, and could not attend to him at that time. So he came back and asked me to wait ten minutes. I was determined to see this thing through, so I watched the pointer again. I thought what a story O. Henry could have made with that jumping pointer as the leit motif. I counted eleven more jumps, and went back. The gentleman said he could not cash them. This I countered by saying that I would have them paid into my account after all. He went away to tell the cigarette smoker my latest move, and all the brokers rushing by me in both directions looked at me respectfully. They must have thought I was doing enormous business. I was now told that my bank could not handle these coupons. I have been back to the French bank with this money, but the official who pays there was not yet back from Africa, and I could not wait. I still have them. If anybody cares to offer me five dollars for seven dollars worth it's a go. I'm going to withdraw my account, and keep it in an old sock at the bottom of my sea chest. It will be more accessible there.

I am usually against interference with custom, or with such private habits of the people as are nobody's business but their own. But I think the time has come to forbid checking firing rifles, and to get rid once for all of dangerous nuisances. I would outlaw them. I would penalize those who sell them or are found in possession of them except for export. They are a terrible waste of money. They make a hideous noise that maddens sleep and the quiet life. They cause fires. They damage clothing. They imperil our eyes. And now they have added a new terror, by causing a chauffeur to lose control of a motor car, and kill a number of harmless people in one mad rush. No one would suffer in the end by their entire abolition in the Colony, except in exporters' godowns. It can be done. The Chinese are nowadays too enlightened to feel more than a sentimental regret for another old custom gone. Are there any other objections? Let us hear from them.

P.P.S. sends me an amusing appeal addressed to a writer who has been laughed into silence. The concluding verse runs: "Come back, we ask, to us again. And let all bygones pass. 'Twas only meant to let you know."

You made good-lucking gas. It is impossible for me to suppose that such an appeal could be successful, so I do not publish the rest of it. Besides, I cannot lend my countenance to P.P.'s suggestion that Hongkong is worse than the place Dante wrote about. Moreover, I would have him reflect that the glittering horror of West Point could not be abolished without the substitution of horrors that would not glitter, but would be worse to bear.

Up like a rocket and down like a stick. I know one of two Europeans who, so soon after the China New Year holidays, should be able to appreciate that end-of-song which says: "Last night I drank good wine, And when I slept I wrote great poems. I had gold in my hand; I held a post at the capital city. And people bowed as they passed by. The moon was bright as my boat floated along, Sweet music sounded in my ear; Flowers and sweet maidens surrounded me. But this morning I could not eat my rice!"

I hope all you faithful adversaria devoured the letter printed in Thursday's China Mail, in which a University student offered a retort courteous to my criticism that wasn't. That's the way to come up smiling in the scrap. In congratulating my young friend on so successfully passing the good temper test, I don't mind admitting that I also am a bit of an ass. I think my brayings are generally honest, but there you are. All that an ass may accomplish in the vocal line is that. The other asses can't sing like me, for depth of feeling they wholly lack, kek-kek-kek, ko-ax, ko-ax. You know "The Greek Slave"? No? What a pity! Then that must

be merely ally to you. The congregation will now sing, to the tune of "God save the king," that beautiful Siamese hymn which says, "O wa ta na Siam." For I certainly did overlook one word in his reference to the University library, and if anyone should know how on one word may hang the real import of a sentence, that one is myself. I misunderstood. The grievance is that though students may read in the library, they may not take the books out. I would not presume to discuss that until I knew the conditions as to quiet and comfort within the book room. If these are right, why want to take books out? Personally, if silence be observed, and there's a comfortable chair and a table. I prefer to do my reading in a library. One has so often to refer to another book, or to several other books, while reading one, that it is best to take the books out. However, as I say, much depends on the conditions there.

I wanted the editor to change the heading. "Our Local Poets," for "Nugareque Canore," but he reminded me with some severity that not all the poetic contributions I coaxed him to print could honestly be called melodious. I admit that two printed-to-day have more rhyme than rhythm, but they deserve their place on other grounds, don't you think?

I have occasionally, those half playfully, half seriously, pointed out CHILDREN, that the Hongkong Telegraph offers illustrations that it is produced by children for children. I must now add that its note writer of Monday evening must be a child who has not yet learned to read. He said: "One of our contemporaries, a few days ago, in remarking on the fact that February 1 had come and gone, gave the impression that the Canton Government had carried out its threat and that the foreign objects to the proposal had been made to look rather foolish. In point of fact, the boot is on the other foot—it is the Southern leaders who have had to eat their own words. It was a big game of bluff that they tried, but it didn't work." Dr. Sun and his henchmen have not proved the real statesmen that they boasted of being. No doubt they are now doing their best to save face.

There had then been only two informative articles published on this Canton incident. Both appeared in the China Mail. One, published before the Telegraph suggested the possibility (i.e. ventured the guess) that it was a bluff by the Southern leaders, had already said it was a bluff, and explained why. The second article, published before this stupid note of Monday evening, very plainly pointed out that the bluff had failed, and that although the bluff date had passed, we were going about our business as usual. As the China Mail was the first of the "foreign objects," it is unfortunate that it gave the impression that it thought the foreign objects had been made "to look rather foolish." It is very evident that a few words only of its article caught the youngling's eye, and that he did not read the article he attacks in this oblique way, because he persists in speaking of "Dr. Sun and his henchmen," giving Sun the leading role. After the Mail took the trouble to point out what has not been well understood by foreigners, the honorary and ornamental position accorded to Sun in Canton. Verbum non amplius addam.

On New Year day I took the last risks on the stand. It was drawn by an ancient coolie, very sickly looking, partly deaf, very feeble and slow, and with imperfect vision. Although he made me half an hour late for my appointment, I had compassion for him, and endured. At the end of the small race I wished him a happy new year and gave him a dollar for the ten-cent ride. To be accurate, our entire conversation, on both sides, consisted of five Cantonese words, mine meaning: "I lift the hands in salutation and imply the wish that you may be wealthy in the future"; his word meaning "Good." Which of us expressed the greater irony?

Writing as a chronic COMING IN ally sick man, with APRIL, a disease, hitherto regarded as incurable, the nature and extent of my lively interest in Cathedral Notes for February cannot be exaggerated. This local publication, issued with every guarantee that the Anglican bishop and clergy can impart, announces the expected arrival in Hongkong in April next of Mr. James Moore Hickson, who is well known in several parts of the world as one who has been much used by God for the curing of sickness. Hongkong, apparently, is not one of the several parts of the world in which Healer Hickson is well known, because all the men I have spoken to about him say they never heard of him before and even the writer of Cathedral Notes hedges with an on dit. He says "Mr. Hickson is a member of our Church and it is said that he has shown that there

are still powers of healing which may be developed and used in a rational and sober spirit without any hysterical outbursts. He has asked that prayerful preparation may be made for his visit. The clergy would be glad to hear from any who are interested in the revival of the gifts of healing, and from any who would pray for the blessing of God on the visit of Mr. Hickson to Hongkong and China." Will the clergy accept this (the only) intimation that I am interested in the revival of the gifts of healing?

Discreet enquiry KINO'S EVIL enables me to announce without the slightest fear of contradiction that His Excellency the Governor, notwithstanding this new cathedral stunt, is not contemplating the possibility of devoting part of his official time to touching for the King's Evil. This disease (scrofula) is cured whenever the King touches the patient. Charles II is reported to have touched 100,000 strumous persons.

This Mr. Hickson cannot be the ordinary kind of faith healer, who uses direct suggestion, in a religious atmosphere, and requires the co-operation of auto-suggestion by the patient, a phenomenon common in crowds and strong emotion. For Cathedral Notes dissociates his methods from "hysterical outbursts." He operates, I gather, in a rational and sober spirit. In fact, we are definitely assured that God is using him on these occasions, and God has no need for trickery. All this, in the Twentieth Century, and coming with such a reputable imprimatur as the local Cathedral can supply, is certainly interesting, and not to be passed over lightly as we might some bunkum from the States.

The Hongkong medical fraternity seem strangely calm about it, although, on the face of it, they must all be rained. If Mr. Hickson "makes good," and we persuade him that we shall certainly try to do to remain here permanently. One of them is actually trying to buy himself an expensive house, as if his future were quite secure. The others do not show any sign of curtailing or modifying their customary luxurious habits. This shows that they are just as short-sighted and incredulous as ordinary folks. I will remember how the mob jered at Noah the shipbuilder, and how they suffered for it eventually.

I take the announcement much more seriously, for the reason already mentioned, that doctors have "touched" me (rather expensively) without healing me of anything but plethoric perunosity. I am impatient for Mr. Hickson's arrival, promised for April. If he cannot get here before April, I would like him to reach us at latest on the First of April. Yes. That would be, I think, the best day for it, even though it be a Friday. The prospect of having the *virgo sano* as well as the *mens sana* on Zola's birthday, April 2nd, delights me.

John Todhunter tells a story of HAPPY VALLEY, two travellers studying a tombstone which said "Here lies buried the soul of So-and-so." "How can a man's soul be buried under a stone?" they asked, and laughed. Then one, shrewder than the other, began to dig, and found a bag of money. John Todhunter was an Irish essayist who knew nothing of our local financiers. That's the queerest part of it.

It is not right to EAST AND assume that the WEST. Orient has or ever had a monopoly of the virtues. It has its criminals as well as its sages, its religious grubbers as well as its religious men. Few Europeans, however, recognize that this works both ways, and for them the following neat lines by Arthur L. Salmon cannot be unwise: "We took thy thought and coined it for our own. Wreathed thy word to moralise our ways—Paid it the meed that parrot mimic pays. Learning by rote and graving it on stone. From thee our pilgrims brought the seed far-sown To quicken life in dull barbaric days; From thee they brought the light, whose living rays Shewed us the path and pointed to the throne."

We took our God, we took our Christ, from thee; The soul that is our culture is thy gift. While thou wast rapt in trance and vision, we Batted with beasts in cave and river-drift. When we were blinded it was thine to see, And thine, when we were pre-arrate, to uplift. It was one of those THIRTY. Mild little poker games where the limit is low, and there is much talk and chatter. Two were left in. The first betted

the limit, and the second said: "I'm bound to raise you, because I have a full hand; but I don't want you to think I'm rubbing it in. It's your own fault for starting with the limit." The other said: "Honest, have you a full hand?" "Yes, Honest." "Then in that case I might as well save eighty cents, as you are bound to beat me. I have a full hand too, but it is threes on jacks." The winner laid down a full hand of deuces on fives.

Mr. Arthur Somerby, the secretary of the International Anti-Opium Association, complains that information of Hongkong's trade in opium is withheld, that there seems to be a conspiracy of silence, that Indian opium is being smuggled out of Hongkong into China although it is more expensive than the Chinese production, and that Hongkong is "regarded unfavourably" by anti-opium workers. The Hongkong Government may be committed, by the British Government, to moral support of the Association's work, but everybody knows that in this matter it makes haste slowly. It is about as impatient for opium abolition as the average Christian is impatient to get a heaven.

This glorified navy JOHN WARD, is reported to have written in one of the Home monthlies that "there is scarcely an active facet during the war that is not prepared to take arms to murder their own people for some vain and absurd notion of changing or improving human society, of which they believe themselves the sole repository." The weird syntax of that passage is totally eclipsed by the absurdity and the extravagance of the idea it tells.

A newspaper politician graph attributes to Sir Conan Doyle the dictum that "the agnostic attitude is the ideal starting point for the truly scientific mind. This explains his extraordinary adventures with spooks and fairies. The agnostic inconsistently claims that he knows nothing, overlooking the fact that he knows that much. The truly scientific mind knows well a considerable number of things, and starts from them. It knows that three into two won't go, and it knows that A equals B, and if B is impossible, then A is impossible. It is quite scientific to know all the recorded ideas concerning C. It is scientific, when one witness affirms that A is C, and another that B is C, for the man who knows that A cannot be B, to affirm that one is certainly wrong, and the other is probably, although his personal knowledge of C may be nil. I know all the recorded ideas of fairies, but I know nothing. In the matter of fairies, I am agnostic. But when Conan Doyle wrote that he had seen photographs of fairies, I did not believe him, because I am agnostic in so many other ways. I neither affirm nor deny the existence of fairies, although my inclination is to believe in them, but I do affirm and deny certain things about Conan Doyle. I affirm that, although I have never seen him and never heard or read direct testimony that he does, I am scientifically entitled to believe that he wears trousers. I am, because there are some things that I do know, scientifically entitled to conclude that he has not a truly scientific mind, even if he wears trousers, and is a doctor.

Isn't Manning Foster making a mistake when he suggests that law 40, clause V and law 43 are contradictory? The first says there must be a new deal "should a player have more than thirteen cards, and any one or more of the others have less than thirteen." The other says the deal stands good where three players have their right number of cards, and the other does not discover his deficiency until after he has played a card. I see no contradiction there, but rather an admirable device to distinguish between the bonafide-unusual and the cheat. It must be kept in mind that all these rules have for chief motive the prevention of cheating. Where it is discovered that one player has 14 and another 12, the presumption is strong that a genuine misdeal has occurred. Anyway, all the cards are above-board. Without law 43, what is to prevent a cheat, who has made a rash call, and got into trouble, from dropping one of his cards on the floor and claiming a re-deal?

An assembly of the Institute of Journalists has been reported in the public Press and is therefore liable to public criticism. I see that Viscount Burnham asked for it by indulging in a jeer at the rival institution, the National Union of Journalists. He jeered at the rule that no newspaper proprietor could be eligible for membership of the N.U.J. as a working journalist. They laughed. That heterogeneous body of parish magazine editors, barometer freelancers, and newspaper snobs laughed. But the laugh is against them.

I see that Mr. Rowley CHILD is not sticking in his LABOUR care for the child workers of Hongkong. When legislation was aloft at Home, long ago, against excessive child labour, a prime opponent achieved the following charming argument. "All experience proves," said he, "that in the lower orders the deterioration of morals increases with the quantity of unemployed time of which they have the command. Thus the Bill actually 'increases vice'—it establishes idleness by Act of Parliament." That was so many years ago that the speaker is probably now in hell.

A touching demonstration of the loving MASTER'S devotion HARBOUR FUNERAL. master Beckwith inspires in his subordinates, a demonstration from which, however, a certain grim humour has been derived, was shown just before his departure on Home leave this week. One of the Chinese messengers purchased, and conveyed to the Harbour Master's room, a floral wreath. That official had it flung forth, and it lay on the waste land outside long enough to cause enquiry and gossip, which in due course has reached me, and now you.

The same speaker "advisedly" emphasised the claim that journalism is a profession. Quibbles apart, it isn't. Years ago, when I was a member of the Institute, an examination scheme was mooted, and dropped. There's no test of fitness, no degree, I found that the Institute had no real value whatever. It elected me an "Associate" after I had been a working journalist for years; and was making more money at it than the full members who proposed me. It promoted me to membership, without any application from me, to get the higher fee, and not because I had in any way acquired further qualification. It is one of the easiest things to get into that I know. Almost anyone can get in. The N.U.J., on the other hand, is frankly a trade union, specialising on wages and conditions of labour, and leaving "social duty and social service" to the consciousness of its constituents, which, after all, and in spite of its professions, is all that the Institute does. The only speech of those reported with which I can agree was that of Philip Gibbs. Here is a passage from it I applaud:

"He did not think journalism at home in the days of the war was wiser or nobler than the nation, and he thought that, while calling to the highest emotions and instincts of the people, it also, perhaps inevitably, called to the lower, and baser instincts. But that was because the Press was not apart from, but a part of the nation; and the Press was subject to these wild passions and emotions, these wild instincts and low instincts, which belonged to all right who were in the war. Still, using its balance, their profession did maintain its old traditions and did uphold that faith of the English people which enabled us to go through to the end. 'Glorious.' Regarding the future relations between the Press and the Services, Sir Philip said it was largely up to the journalists to decide whether we were to have peace or war, and the Services would have very little to do in the way of fighting if every journalist plighted himself never to write a word which would stir up again the forces of hate or enmity between two peoples who had no quarrel. To save members of the Institute from jumping to a wrong conclusion as to my motives, I mention here that I am not a member of the N.U.J., and hold no brief for it. Nor have I any antipathy for members of the I.J., or for any of my old associates therein. My comment is made because whenever I meet humbug I have an irresistible desire to hit it. The Institute of Journalists has an annual orgy of humbug, apparently, and this reported occasion was no exception.

I have received a variation of the "endless PRAYER chain prayer" from one AGAIN, who has "seen it stated in the China Mail" that we are willing to write, or at least take note of any matter, that readers may send. That was not exactly the pledge, but rather the prayer enclosed, exactly the same as before. We have, however, the same intimidation of the superstitious, all who neglect to continue the silliness being threatened with "some misfortune." My correspondent asks if he neglect to continue the chain was responsible for his car breaking down five times on its run round the island on Sunday. It wasn't.

I see that Mr. Rowley CHILD is not sticking in his LABOUR care for the child workers of Hongkong. When legislation was aloft at Home, long ago, against excessive child labour, a prime opponent achieved the following charming argument. "All experience proves," said he, "that in the lower orders the deterioration of morals increases with the quantity of unemployed time of which they have the command. Thus the Bill actually 'increases vice'—it establishes idleness by Act of Parliament." That was so many years ago that the speaker is probably now in hell.

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## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the Times Mail.)

ANGLO-AMERICAN RELATIONS.

LONDON, February 11th.

The United Press announces that—in view of the alarmist and wholly incorrect statements published in America and said to be based on a United Press message, the United Press has Sir Auckland Geddes, the British Minister to Washington, to apologise for the inaccurate presentation of their story.

A meeting of the Society of American Correspondents in London yesterday was a letter of regret to Sir Auckland Geddes deploring the fact that his utterances had been misrepresented in certain United States newspapers.

LONDON, February 11th.

The mis-labelling "drifting mine" was version of Sir Auckland Geddes' conversation with American journalists in London has been followed by fresh reports, emanating from London and dated back from New York, to the effect that Sir Auckland Geddes on returning to the United States will suggest a Disarmament Conference.

Senator Borah expresses the opinion that this indicates a change in the British attitude on the question of "the Freedom of the Seas."

The New York Times and the New York World, in their editorial columns, welcome the announcement, and refer to the Allies' sorry experience with the United States in regard to the Peace Treaty. The journals urge Congress to furnish guarantees that it will not wantonly reject any agreement that may be suggested to bring about a reduction of armaments.

GERMANY'S ATTITUDE.

PARIS, February 11th.

The Premier had an interview with M. Laurent, the French Ambassador at Berlin, about Gekary's attitude towards the Conference decisions. M. Laurent expressed the opinion that the views of the moderate elements in the German Government will eventually prevail.

After the speeches of Mr. Lloyd George and Sir Storrs and the unanimity of the French and British Press, supported by the leading American papers, German official circles have come to the conclusion that the Allied front is still as strong as ever. This opinion was corroborated later by the announcement from Berlin that the German Government will send representatives to London for the Allied Conference on March 15.

Twenty-five tons of gold coins, German marks and Turkish pounds have arrived at Paris from Berlin, and more have been transferred to the Allied joint account at the Bank of France in execution of Article 25 of the Peace Treaty.—Herald.

GOVERNMENT DEFEAT IN SWEDEN.

STOCKHOLM, February 11th.

Through the rejection by the Riksdag of the Government's Coffee Export Bill the order prohibiting imports is cancelled. The Finance Minister has resigned in consequence of the defeat of the Government in this matter.

RAND MINERS RETURNING TO WORK.

JOHANNESBURG, February 11th.

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THE FOURTH TEST MATCH.

MELBOURNE, February 11th.

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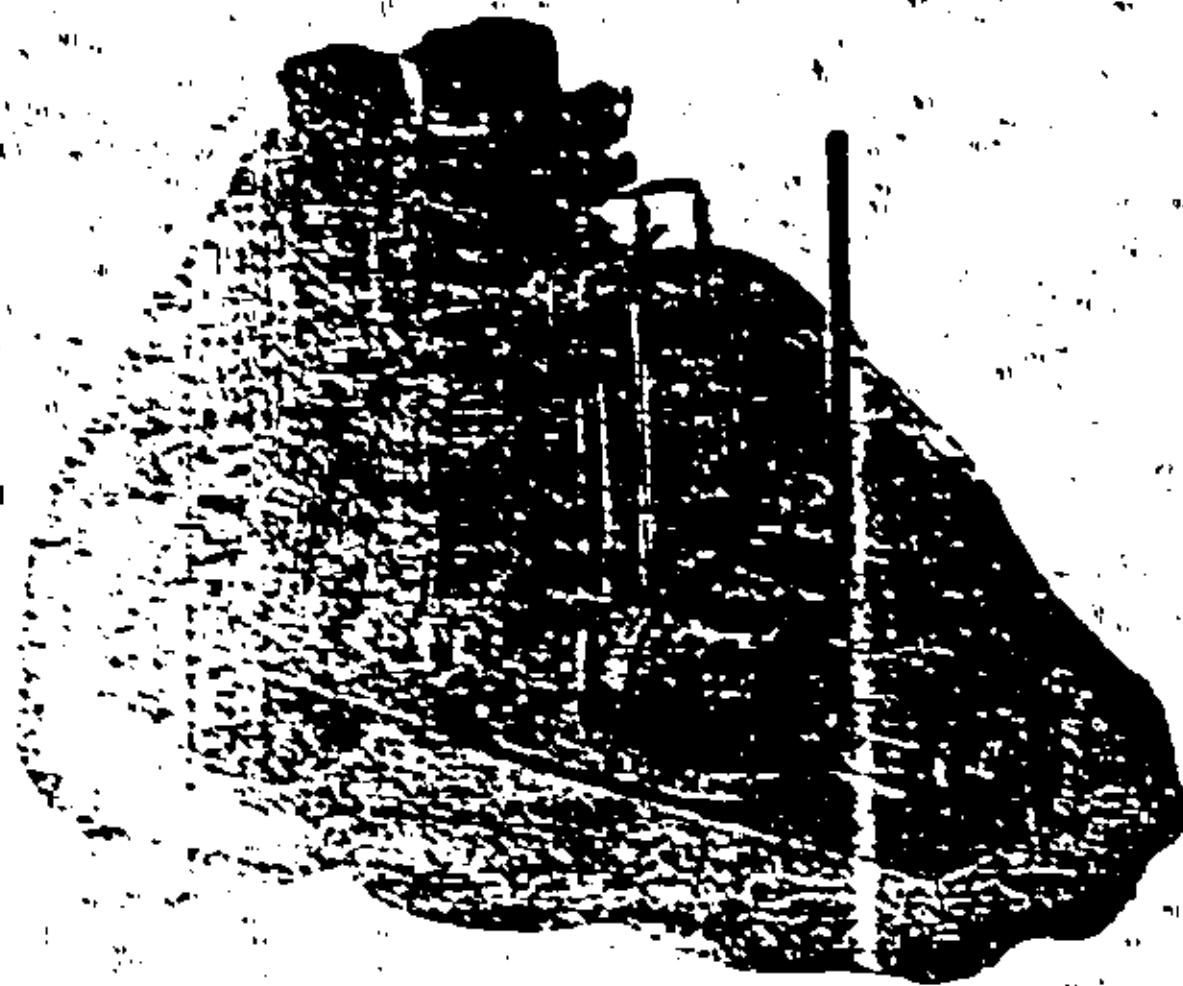
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Silk and Valuables and Tea for Italy,  
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## OUR LOCAL POETS.

## "A LOVER'S QUARREL."

1. What sharp endless pains do you feel  
Creeping through your beating heart  
When softly away she did steal  
And from your side she did depart?
2. You stand amazed: your eyes are green—  
Green with that feeling of jealousy.  
Have you not her faithlessness seen  
When she talks with him so zealously?
3. "Yet she may be true; who knows  
She's merely playing to win my love?  
I will give her no kiss or blows  
But to her side, I'll never move!"
4. Lovers' words can never be bound:  
This moment "you decide, the next  
You'll be at her side, safe and sound,  
Though nothing compels you but sex."
5. Now shy and submissive you appear  
With gloomy face and lowered eyes;  
You try to put on a careless leer,  
But betray yourself with sighs.
6. "Won't she speak a word," you cry,  
"Just one word—a cue for my speech?"  
But she keeps silent nor does she cry  
Her pardon you must first beseech.
7. Like two statues carved for disdain:  
Her face looks straight, yours tries in vain  
To hide away your little shame  
When you must first call her name.
8. A voice in you seems to whisper:  
"Call not her; leave her alone."  
But away you could not scamper  
Till a word from her you own.
9. Your searching eyes now snatch a look—  
A sideways glance, so fleet and shy:  
Coldness you no longer can brook,  
To call her name you volunteer to try.
10. All pride gone, all whispers vanished:  
"Darling," you just try to say,  
To let all this show be banished  
And make this a joyful day.
11. You try but are nearly choked  
As you would be by a bone;  
But now you could only creak  
"Darling," with your eyes on the stone.
12. To you she turns those sweet eyes,  
Little pearls glittering there:  
You are so cruel to let her cry  
When you would her sorrow share.
13. She catches your hand: a little thrill  
Runs through your trembling body.  
It's a wonder your head didn't reel,  
As a Tamil would by today.
14. Like a little bird in its nest,  
She lies in your warm embrace;  
The world may know all the rest,  
The quarrel is patched with haste.
15. So ends an event of a lover's part,  
When you possess a lover's heart;  
Though she may from her path depart,  
No more quarrel will you start.

## THE WISH OF AGE.

The world is young and I am old  
The journey's end is drawing near,  
Though dreams to me are wealth untold  
And yet not I would shed a tear.  
My dreams are like the nets of gold  
Far flung across a silver sea.  
To catch all things that are so bold  
To roam the Sea of Memory.

For them not I would shed a tear  
For dreams, like youth, have served their time  
But may I meet without a fear  
My kindly host in other clime!

## WHO'S HE?

Hongkong is no doubt, a wonderful place.  
Plenty of sport, and tons of tight-lace.  
Acquaintance, in plenty, you'll pass,  
By the way.  
And, if you're not deaf, you'll hear them all say.

—Who's he?  
To Balls and to dasses, on invites you'll go  
On other inmates, curiosity, will show  
They laugh, and they giggle, and whisper awhile

## NOTICE TO SHIPPERS AND PASSENGERS.

## VESSELS DUE.

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Allied King, 1 1/2 miles, 36, 1.14, 1.50, 2.26, 2.57; last 31.  
Marble, 1 1/2 miles, 41, 1.18, 1.54, 2.30, 3.05, 3.39; last 34.  
Speckled Mouse, 1 1/2 miles, 41, 1.19, 1.56, 2.5, 2.34, 3.08, 3.33, 3.5;  
last 30.3.5.

Flywheel and White Mouse, 1 1/2 miles last 34, 1.09, 1.43, 2.15, 3.5; last 32.2.5.  
Pardie, 1 mile, 33, 1.05, 2.5; last 32.2.5.  
Harlequin, 1 1/2 miles, 33, 1.04, 3.5, 1.38, 2.13, 2.47, 2.5, 3.21; last 33.3.5.

Coat of Arms, 1 1/2 miles, 33, 1.07, 2.5, 1.43, 2.18, 2.49, 2.5; last 31.2.5.  
Spotted Sand, 1 1/2 miles, 35, 1.06, 3.5, 1.46, 2.20, 4.5, 2.51, 3.5; last 30.4.5.

White Tie, 1 1/2 miles, 43, 1.22, 2.01, 2.36, 3.11, 3.5, 3.46, 3.5; last 35.  
Dollar Bell and White Clover, 1 1/2 miles, 37, 1.12, 1.46, 2.24, 2.5, 2.59; last 34.3.5.

Fighting King, 1 1/2 miles, 40, 1.15, 2.5, 2.25, 4.5, 3.00, 3.30; last 30.  
Casson and South, 1 1/2 miles, 42, 1.20, 1.56, 2.28, 2.5, 3.05, 3.5, 3.40; last 34.2.5.

Mountain King, 1 1/2 miles, 33, 3.5, 1.07, 1.43, 2.17, 2.48; last 31.  
Soapey Sponge, 1 mile, 35, 1.10, 1.45, 2.19; last 33.  
Delight Dullia, 1 mile, 31, 1.01, 1.5; last 30.1.5.

The Amerer, 1 mile, 42, 1.22, 1.58, 2.5; last 31.3.5.  
Coal King, 1 1/2 miles, 37, 1.10, 3.5, 1.44, 3.5, 2.18, 2.50; last 32.  
By Jingo, 1 mile, 33, 2.5, 1.09, 1.42, 2.5; last 33.2.5.

Jazz King, 1 mile, 35, 1.13, 1.49, 4.5, 2.25, 2.5; last 35.3.5.  
Grey Friar and Black Friar, 1 mile, 39, 1.14, 1.49, 2.24, 2.5; last 35.2.5.

Only Hope, 1 mile, 40, 1.17, 1.52, 1.5, 2.25; last 32.4.5.  
Taipo Chief, 1 mile, 36, 1.5, 1.09, 1.42, 2.16; last 34.  
Sportsman, 1 1/2 miles, 32, 2.5, 1.08, 1.43, 3.5, 2.18, 2.49; last 31.

Sleepy Hicough, 1 mile, 35, 1.13, 2.5, 1.45, 2.5, 2.25; last 36.3.5.  
Red Bird, 1 mile, 43, 1.26, 2.06, 2.5, 2.41, 2.5; last 35.

Caulfield, 1 1/2 miles, 35, 1.11, 1.46, 2.21, 3.53, 2.5; last 32.2.5.  
Louza and Tweedledum, 1 1/2 miles, 36, 1.11, 2.5, 1.45, 2.17, 2.5, 2.51, 1.5; last 33.4.5.

St. Anthony, 1 1/2 miles, 39, 1.13, 1.47, 2.20, 2.5, 2.55, 4.5, 3.30, 4.5; last 35.  
Jamboree, 1 1/2 miles, last 38, 1.15, 1.47; last 32.

Adversarial and Ardovan, 1 mile, 38, 1.14, 1.49, 2.5, 2.24; last 34.3.5.  
Forest Child and Dandy Child, 1 1/2 miles, 38, 1.11, 2.5, 1.45, 2.18, 2.5, 2.32, 1.5; last 34.1.5.

Notwithstanding and Nevertheless, 1 mile last 35, 1.10, 2.5, 1.46; last 35.3.5.  
Parran, 1 mile, 38, 1.12, 3.5, 1.44, 2.13; last 31.

Bolshievik, 1 mile, 35, 2.5, 1.11, 1.44, 2.15, 2.5; last 31.2.5.  
Barley Sugar, 1 1/2 miles last 42, 1.21, 1.54, 2.16; last 33.  
Leishon and Nestor, 1 mile, 37, 1.11, 1.45, 2.17, 3.5; last 32.3.5.

Delphin, 1 1/2 miles, 35, 1.09, 1.42, 2.15, 2.50, 3.25, 4.5; last 35.4.5.  
Hope Dullia, 1 mile, 36, 1.10, 2.5, 1.44, 2.15; last 31.

Miscellaneous Dullia and Now or Never, 1 mile, 35, 1.08, 2.5, 1.43, 2.19; last 36.  
Knight Errant and Brown Mouse, 1 mile, 39, 1.17, 1.53, 2.26; last 33.

Silverstreak, 2 miles, 36, 1.11, 1.42, 3.5; last 31.3.5.  
White Foam, 1 mile, 35, 1.16, 1.51, 2.5, 2.24; last 32.3.5.  
Giverchy, 1 mile, 34, 1.08, 1.41, 2.5, 2.16; last 34.3.5.

Seagull, 1 mile, 34, 1.08, 2.17, 2.53; last 35.  
Begger King, 1 1/2 miles, 40, 1.15, 2.5, 1.52, 2.5, 2.30, 3.05, 2.5, 3.37; last 31.1.5.

Muscovite King, 1 1/2 miles, 36, 1.11, 1.47, 2.5, 2.23, 2.56; last 33.  
Square Measure, 1 1/2 miles, 34, 1.12, 1.54, 2.36, 3.08; last 32.  
Adventure and Paper Money, 1 mile, 35, 1.09, 1.43, 2.5, 2.16; last 32.3.5.

Mountain Stream and Mountain Mist, 2 miles, 36, 1.09, 1.44; last 35.  
Pawshop, 1 1/2 miles, 35, 3.5, 1.12, 1.5; 1.49, 1.5, 2.22, 3.5, 2.54, 2.5; last 31.4.5.

Javelin, 1 mile, 34, 1.08, 1.41, 2.12, 3.5; last 31.3.5.  
Hutton and Dullig, 1 1/2 miles, 34, 1.08, 1.44, 2.18, 2.51, 3.24, 2.5; last 33.2.5.  
Invincible King, 1 1/2 miles, 41, 1.17, 1.54, 2.5, 2.28, 2.5, 2.58, 3.5; last 30.1.5.

Exchequer Bell, 1 1/2 miles, last 36, 1.43, 2.17, 2.50, 3.21, 3.5; last 31.3.5.  
The Snark, 1 mile, 43, 1.21, 1.57, 2.32; last 35.

Jogletory Crowdy and Ankle Deep, 1 1/2 miles, 33, 2.5, 1.07, 2.5, 1.41, 3.5, 2.17, 2.49, 1.5; last 32.1.5.  
Bogeyman, 1 mile, last 36, 1.12, 3.5, 1.43; last 35.2.5.

Reptile Bay Chief, 1 1/2 miles, 34, 1.07, 2.5, 1.41, 2.13, 3.5, 2.46, 2.5; last 32.4.5.  
Tiddewink and Irish Stew, 1 mile, 36, 2.5, 1.13, 1.49, 2.20, 4.5; last 31.2.5.

Black Spot and Beldorney, 1 1/2 miles, 39, 1.17, 1.53, 3.5, 2.28, 3.01; last 33.  
Evergreen and Shooting Star, 1 1/2 miles, 41, 1.17, 1.55, 2.32, 3.5, 3.10, 3.42, 3.5; last 32.3.5.

Tiddy and Unmy, 1 mile, 37, 2.5, 1.14, 1.50, 2.23; last 33.  
Siamese Cat and Field Child, 1 1/2 miles, 35, 1.10, 1.44, 2.17, 2.5, 2.51; last 33.3.5.

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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21.		
Shanghai and North China	Saiyang	2 p.m.
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24.		
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## MOTORISTS' MEETING.

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an opportunity of finding out what their cars could do. Many cars in the Colony were driven by Chinese drivers and had a very heavy petrol consumption. With tests, owners would very soon find out why petrol was disappearing so quickly. For a competition, it would be necessary to close a road. The tests were usually based on h.p., time and weight; cars were not to run neck-to-neck; each driver was tested in turn and the roads in the Colony provided some fairly severe ordeals.

Mr. W. J. Crawford reverted to the question of traffic control, remarking that the Chinese wandered about the streets aimlessly, not using the sidewalks and defying motorists, their attitude saying, "You dare not run us down." It was not always the Chinese, however, at Kowloon Ferry Wharf he had had to speak to "people of other nationalities" than Chinese who were walking five, six and seven abreast, with arms linked. Mr. Crawford also spoke of the nuisance of objectionable things being thrown from verandahs. The police, on receiving a complaint, threatened to take the occupants to the police station, but, of course, that would not be much good. The police did what they could; one did not know what to do with such people. It was a difficult problem.

Mr. C. Lauritsen referred to the efforts the police made, when Mr. Wolfe was C.S.P., to induce the people to walk on the pavements. Conditions were very much better until a certain incident well known to members occurred, and the new method was abandoned. Traffic conditions were worse and worse. They were far better in Mr. Messer's time. It was not possible now to drive through any of the streets without being obstructed. He had had half a dozen wind screens broken by stones in the last twelve months. In Shanghai, where there were no sidewalks, pedestrians were confined to the kerb. Then came a track for richas and the motor cars had the centre of the road. Something like that might be done here if the authorities were approached. Mr. Lauritsen concluded with thanks to the retiring President and Committee for their splendid work.

The Chairman said the primary difference between Shanghai and Hongkong control was that in Shanghai policemen on duty had drawn batons, and if a man did not obey the order he was promptly smacked on the side of the head. It made a tremendous difference in the control of traffic. "This is a British colony," remarked Mr. Holyoak, "and we have to be a little more careful what we do." All the same, (he continued) he was perfectly certain that a good deal more could be done. With regard to bomb throwing, it was useless to attempt to control the throwers. Control must begin much earlier. The Association must press for absolute prohibition of the sale of such things in the Colony. (Applause).

Major Cassel drew attention to the fact that two Chinese arrested for throwing bombs were discharged at the Magistracy. That did not tend to prevent the damage to cars suffered in the past few days.

Mr. M. K. Lo, remarked that notices were issued every year by the police regarding bombs, but they were not complied with. But with regard to the traffic control, which Mr. Wolfe sought to inaugurate, and which Mr. Lauritsen had referred to, he could not find words to express his resentment at the method adopted. He did not think the pedestrian could be deprived of the use of the road, and he objected to having to go to the Police Station if he should walk, say, from Alexandra Buildings across to Jardine's at an angle other than that prescribed.

The Chairman said they were all agreed in not for a moment advocating force. What they were urging on behalf of the Association was the education of the Chinese public who seemed to ignore the danger of a heavy vehicle travelling even at fifteen miles an hour. They asked for greater mutual consideration on the part of the pedestrian, because it was a little unreasonable for a considerable crowd to walk down the middle of the street when pavements were provided for them. The day had passed in this Colony when the open roadway was the natural place for pedestrians. For many years it was so; but that was before there was any high-speed traffic. Today nearly five hundred motor cars were passing to and fro and it was time some control over road traffic was insisted upon, unless serious and increasingly serious accidents were to happen. Motorists did not ask a monopoly of the roads, but they did desire, seeing that motor traffic had not only come to stay, but would increase in the most astonishing manner now that magnificent roads had been built that there should be adequate control for the safety of everybody. (Applause).

Mr. Lauritsen, in reply to Mr. Lo, said he was not referring to the incident Mr. Lo had in mind. He submitted that pedestrians wishing to cross the streets should not run across anywhere, as the Chinese did, absolutely heedless of what was coming. Europeans did the same thing, but in his experience in the Colony there had been very few accidents to Europeans and Portu-

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